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## THE MAY GENERAL MEETING IS CANCELED

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## Meetings will resume when it is declared safe to do so





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# SEZ THE PREZ

I hope all club members and their families are healthy and safe during month two of the pandemic lockdown.

This month's meeting and Julian Goldmine Run are canceled due to the governor's shelter in place order and other local authorities' directives concerning the current virus issue. I was so looking forward to my yearly piece of Julian apple pie.

For now, our events for June and beyond are still scheduled. However, each month we will evaluate whether the event can be held and still be within the restrictions that are in place at that time by the governor and local authorities.

Be healthy, be safe!

Z you on the road.

Michael

P.S. Check out page 4 for a proposed drive on the 17th!

### Established in 1991 by the

owner of Z-Whizz

#### The Z Car CLUB OF SAN DIEGO

Is a group of Datsun and Nissan Z enthusiasts and a Charter Member of the National Z Car Club Association.

**Purpose:** The Club is organized as a California Nonprofit Mutual Benefit Corporation formed to:

- 1) Provide its members with access to knowledge about their Z Cars;
- 2) Provide a forum for members and other interested parties;
- 3) Exchange Z Car information;
- Organize events and activities for members which enhance their enjoyment of Z Car ownership.

**Persons interested** in becoming a Member should fill out the Membership Form located on the last page of this Newsletter.

**Monthly Meetings** are held the first Tuesday of each month with a dinner at 6 PM and the meeting starting at 7 PM. See below for driving directions.

**Contact an Officer:** See the list of Officers on the left side of this Newsletter. Any officer will respond to your Email.

Club Mailing Address:

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### MONTHLY MEETING PLACE:

### DENNY'S

4280 Clairemont Mesa Blvd. San Diego, CA 921117

### DRIVING DIRECTIONS:

From the 15;

Take the 52 West , exit on Genesee Ave South, turn right on Clairemont Mesa Blvd, it's on the right just past Clairemont Drive.

From the 5;

Take the 52 East, exit on Regents Road South, continue onto Clairemont Mesa Blvd, it's on the left at the end of the Claremont Town Square shopping center.

We park in back of Denny's

## CHUCK'S MAY REPORT ON

## BIRTHDAYS & MEMBERSHIP

	Birthdays	
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Hans	Crail	05/01
Michael	Ryan	05/01
Bill	Pickelsimer	05/06
Jennifer	Smith	05/09
Bill	Bennett	05/15
John	Felt	05/15
James	Bohnsack	05/18
Michael	Grassi	05/20
Deborah	Clark	05/29
Johnnie	Gable	05/30

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ZCars	Model
25	240Z
3	260Z
9	280Z
9	280ZX
7	300ZX - Z31
8	300ZX - Z32
8	350Z - Z33
4	370Z - Z34

I forgot to add Pete Gregg to April's birthday calendar. Greg is a official new member, who has also attended meetings. Welcome Greg.

Hopefully one day soon we can get back together, I need to make time to drive my Z and use up some of that cheap gas that is out there. For a long time we have taken it in the shorts when we fill up. Not now!!

I know my Z's battery would appreciate a drive too... before it goes dead.

Z ya soon. Chuck

GENERAL MEETING

MAY 5, 2020

&

JULIAN GOLDMINE TOUR

MAY 17, 2020

**BOTH ARE CANCELED** 



HOWEVER, THERE ARE PLANS AFOOT FOR A SPECIAL

'SOCIAL-DISTANCING'

## Z CAR DRIVE

ON MAY 17TH

DETAILS TO FOLLOW IN AN E-MAIL

BLAST

# 2020 ZCSD EVENT SCHEDULE

JANUARY 25 FEB. 14-17 FEBRUARY 22	RAMONA GRASSLANDS HAWK WATCH 5th ANNUAL FRIENDS OF MR. K FUN RUN J A COOLEY MUSEUM & LUNCH AT BUENO NAPOLETANO
MARCH 21	MINIATURE ENGINEEING & CRAFTSMAN MUSEUM
APRIL 13-16	BOTTOM BUSTER MOTOR TOUR
APRIL 18	BORREGO FLOWER RUN (pending road closures)
MAY 17	JULIAN GOLDMINE TOUR CANCELED
MAY 17	SOCIAL DISTANCING Z-CAR DRIVE
	(Details will follow via e-mail)

## 25 YEARS AGO - Z AMERICA RELAY



This month and next, to fill a newsletter that has no activities to report, we want to relive some Z Car history that had its roots right here in San Diego. Dave Draper, an Escondido resident and Z Club of San Diego member, convinced Nissan Corporate that they should do a big celebration for the "Z" cars 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

Nissan bought into the concept of a nationwide "Z" clubs drive that gave most of

the active "Z" clubs of the time a chance to come out and show off their "Z" cars enthusiand Dave asm. Draper was furnished with a Steve Millen branded Z-32 TT to drive in a

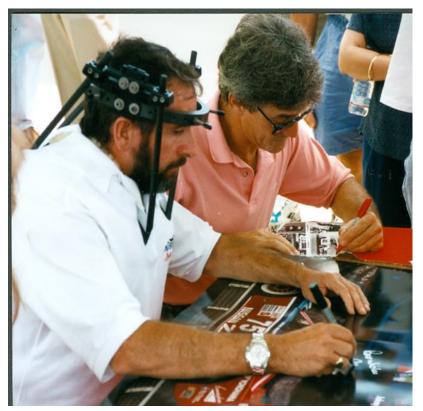


Zee pattern across the USA with clubs accompanying him on his run. The schedule was set up for the runs between participating cities to be done on weekends so more people could join in. Dave was flown back to San Diego and out to the next leg for 12 weekends. The following items in this month's new-letter depict what was to take place and photos of the energetic crowd that showed up at Nissan's Corporate Headquarter in Carson CA as the Z AMERICA RELAY came through Los Angeles, and our club got ready to run it's leg.

## FIRST THE WHAT, WHO AND WHEN:



Dave Draper speaking to the crowd at Nissan Headquarters paring lot jammed with Z cars, food tents and exhibits

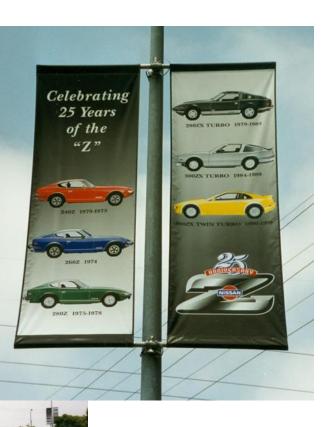


Steve Millen (wearing the halo, because of a recent racing accident) along side of John Morton, signing posters.



Past Convention T-Shirts

The energetic crowd at Nissan's Corporate Headquarter in Carson CA



July 2nd



## Z AMERICA RELAY SCHEDULE

Day	Date	Start City	End City	Z Car Club
Sat	May 13	Salt Lake City, UT	Casper, WY	Denver
Sun	May 14	Casper, WY	Valentine, NE	Denver
Sat	May 20	Valentine, NE	Sioux Falls, SD	Minneapolis
Sun	May 21	Sioux Falls, SD	La Crosse, WI	Minneapolis
Sat	May 27	La Crosse, WI	Chicago, IL	Chicago
Sun	May 28	Chicago, IL	Columbus, OH	Chicago
Mon	May 29	Columbus, OH	Philadelphia, PA	York
Sat	June 3	Philadelphia, PA	Washington, D.C.	Baltimore
Sun	June 4	Washington, D.C.	Lancaster, OH	Alexandria
Sat	June 10	Lancaster, OH	Indianapolis, IN	Chicago
Sun	June 11	Indianapolis, IN	Springfield, IL	Chicago
Sat	June 17	Springfield, IL	Kansas City, MO	St. Louis
Sun	June 18	Kansas City, MO	Wichita, KS	St. Louis
Sat	June 24	Wichita, KS	Boise City, OK	Okla. City
Sun	June 25	Boise City, OK	Albuquerque, NM	Albuquerque
Sat	July 1	Albuquerque, NM	Phoenix, AZ	Albuquerque
Sun	July 2	Phoenix, AZ	Los Angeles, CA	Anaheim
Tue	July 4	Los Angeles, CA	Casa Grande, AZ	San Diego/Las Vegas
Sat	July 8	Casa Grande, AZ	Las Cruces, NM	Albuquerque
Sun	July 9	Las Cruces, NM	Lubbock, TX	Albuquerque
Sat	July 15	Lubbock, TX	Dallas, TX	Dallas
Sun	July 16	Dallas, TX	Shreveport, LA	Houston
Sat	July 22	Shreveport, LA	Jackson, MS	Dallas
Sun	July 23	Jackson, MS	Birmingham, AL	Knoxville
Tue	July 25	Birmingham, AL	Atlanta, GA	Atlanta

Note: Cities in **bold** are target media/event cities.



#### Z AMERICA RELAY

What:

The Z America Relay is a 25 leg, zig-zag across the United States which celebrates the 25th Anniversary of the fastest selling sports car of all time -- the (Datsun) Nissan Z.

The relay route (from the Rockies to the Eastern Seaboard, back to Southern California and over to Georgia) symbolically creates the image of a gigantic Z on a map of the U.S.

An official Relay baton will be handed from caravan to caravan -- arriving at this year's National Z Car Club Convention in Atlanta.

Who:

Z America Relay was conceived by Dave Draper, a member of the Z Club of San Diego. Nissan Motor Corporation has designated a Steve Millen 25th Anniversary edition Z for Draper to drive as a pace car for the entire route. Throughout the relay, hundreds of other Z owners and Z Car Club members across the U.S. are expected to join Draper en route.

The relay is open to anyone who owns or drives a Nissan Z car (from the original 1970 Datsun 240Z to today's Nissan 300ZX).

When: July 4, 1995 -- Z Club of San Diego's leg

Where: Escondido Nissan 1551 Auto Park Way North depart 9:30am via San Diego Nissan 5812 Fairmont Ave. Depart 11:00am, for Yuma Arizona and final destination Casa Grande, Az.

SPECIAL BONUS: Everyone gets a commemorative T-shirt from Nissan and a tour on July 5th of the Bob Bondurant School of High Performance Driving (Chandler, AZ.) Bob will lead us on laps around his track.

CONTACT: Clif Yaussi (619) 445-5200 for more details and info.



### Dave Draper taking off in the

Stillen 300ZX TT

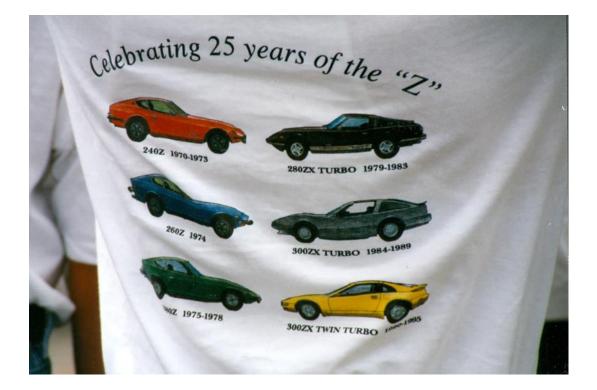
### CLIF'S NOTES on ...

Wow, has this been a fun couple of months or what...! The Z America Relay had great support from all the clubs along the way, and I want to thank all of you who came out for our portion. We had 8 cars make the drive up to Nissan Corporate Headquarters on July 3, and most drivers took along a navigator, which wasn't a bad idea, cause we got left in the dust as we headed for the luncheon at Nissan. But we all made it there eventually. We started from Sally's with Bill Black and his navigator Terry, myself, and Evan Chabot. On the fly, Rob Valerio found us and joined in. At the rest stop on I-5 we stopped for Pat Connolly and his co pilot Connie, Kevin Ham and his wife, Pat Hubbard and his wife and I think David Mihalko. Traffic was light, and we snaked our way to Buena Park and joined up with Group Z. They had a parking lot full of cars and the relay group hadn't even arrived yet. Dave Draper led the relay in the Stillen 300ZX (a red one of course) and they pulled in, said "We're late, lets go" and everyone, some 70 cars tried to make it thru the signal and onto the freeway all at once. It didn't happen, and so we were strung out from Buena Park to Carson. Everyone finally pulled into the corporate parking lot, and the security guards were freaking out, they hadn't counted on that big of a turn out. They parked Z cars everywhere...and were there some unique ones. It was fun to see Herve Ouellette's show car, what a machine. Nissan had gone all out, big white tents with 6 food lines, hamburgers, hot dogs, salads, chips, drinks and tables everwhere in the parking lot to seat I bet 350 people. Everything was in festive 4th of July colors with balloons, flags, banners ... great job. Dave Draper got to say a few words to the crowd as did Nissan's 300ZX product manager. Inside the lobby of Nissan, they had a map on the wall that was 25 feet high and 40 feet across showing the route of the Z AMERICA RELAY plus T-shirts from all the past conventions and a model car collection. Also on hand were Steve Millen and John Morton to sign autographs along with the race car they drive.

We departed at 1:30 for the Universal City Nissan dealership, and the official hand off from the Group Z club to us. Lots of pictures, more tents and flags, the inflateable nissan man, and ice cream!! All in all, a fun day. I waited for Dave Draper's son who was visiting relatives in the L.A. area and gave him a ride back to Escondido, a trip that went smoothly and with little traffic, the CB radios sure help too. So the next morning we reconviened at Jim Lanker's Escondido Nissan, and I'll let Lance tell you more.

Thanks again for the great support, I'm sorry if I left out your name, its been a blurr.

THE MAROON MARAUDER





The Editor wishes to thank Clif Yaussi for all the pictures and Commentary. The story continues next month. Give A Ways Included: Commemorative T-Shirt 25th Anniversary Pin Z America Relay license plate frame



# **2020 Auto Cross Schedule**

## **First Half**



- $\Rightarrow$  Mar 7th/8th SDCCU Stadium
- ⇒-Mar 21st/22nd Lake Elsinore Storm Stadium
- ⇒ Apr 18th/19th SDCCU Stadium
- ⇒-May 3rd Lake Elsinore Storm Stadium
- ⇒ May 16th/17th SDCCU Stadium
- ⇒ Jun 13th SDCCU Stadium; Tire Rack SCCA Starting Line School
- $\Rightarrow$  Jun 14th—SDCCU Stadium



# ZCSD STORE

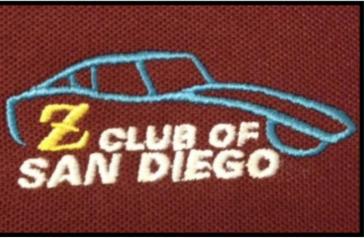
We still have some club and ZCON 2014 merchandize!!!! Posters, beach bags T-Shirts and Polo Shirts.

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VINTAGE CLUB SHIRTS \$10.00



CLUB SHIRTS AND HATS ARE IN \$15.00



VINTAGE CLUB PINS \$5.00 each



NEW CLUB PINS \$5.00 each

# New Club's Merchandise



Thanks to Jeff Smith from Tailored Customs for the Club's New Merchandise

# There will be Merchandise at the next meeting.

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